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This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated April 4, 2006, for the application identified above. It is believed that no fee is due. Should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16–1.19 be required for any reason relating to this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the required fees from Howrey LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-3038, Order No. 11149.0030.NPUS00.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.